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| CCQs: | Notes: |
| How many Indians did they murder until they finally got all of the land that we have today?  What was the interest in becoming imperial anyway?  America has been under a lot of wars, I’m not surprised that they don’t want to face another one. | MI (1st): From the beginning, the American republic had still remained as an expansionist nation.  Details:   * During the first half of the 19th century, the government had acquired several new states such as California and Alaska. * Many Americans still believed America had its “Manifest Destiny” to do this.   MI(2nd):With little potential for territorial growth in the US, expansion had entered a different phase.  Details:   * The nation had once made territories easier to settle in by putting it close to other states. * Later the US had started to acquire some island territories-that were thickly populated that would not attract massive settlement from America. * The US had joined other nations from Europe such as England and France in the great imperial drive.   MI(3rd): The US was not exactly agreeing with expansion, they were reluctant at first.  Details:   * America had not really wanted to be in another war, such as the Spain-American War of 1898. * Puerto Rico and the Philippines were two territories that were hard to obtain (due to a strong anti-imperial movement.   MI(4th): The costs of buying the new land and anti-imperialists, they had become a major problem for imperialism.  Details:   * There was a bloody civil war. * The US had shifted its emphasis from hiding in the war to revealing themselves and creating new powers. * America had tried to exert influence in the world by political diplomatic and economic reasons. |
| Summary: From the start of the American republic, it had always been an expansionist nation. Eventually they had to change how they obtained new states/territories. Yet the federal government had seem reluctant at first, there were also problems with obtaining those new territories. | |